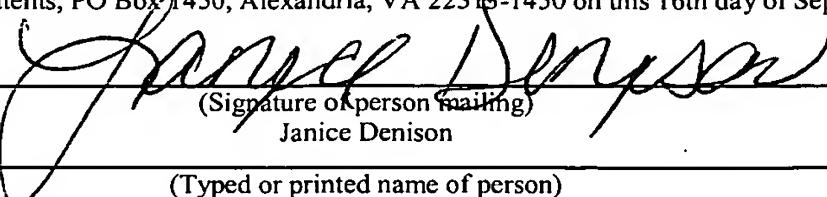


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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the Office Action mailed June 16, 2004, Applicant answers as follows. This amendment is being filed in response to a written restriction requirement mailed on June 16, 2004. A petition and fee for a two-month extension of time accompanies this response.

Applicant hereby elects Claims 1-22, 34 and 35 (drawn to methods of identifying or screening an agent with a chemical assay (Group I), with traverse.

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